lists national socio-demographic goals for 2010 leading to population stabilization by 2045.

Revival of HFCL

*185. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA:

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have deferred their plan to shut down three units of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFCL) at Durgapur, Haldia and Barauni;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are considering a revival plan for these three units;

(d) if so, the detail thereof; and

(e) whether delay in re-starting is affecting the revival process?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SURESH PRABHU): (a) to (e) While a decision has already been taken by the Government to close/hive off the Haldia Fertilizer Project which could never be commissioned, a comprehensive rehabilitation proposal for Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd. based on unit wise techno-economic viability is under Government's consideration. The operations of Durgapur and Barauni units had to be suspended due to the high and unremunerative cost of production. The rehabilitation of these units is dependent on the decision of the Government and the final outcome of the proceedings pending before the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction and as such these two units have been kept under preservation.

Rail passes to M/s. A.H. Wheeler & Co.

*186. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Ist and Ilnd Class journey card passes are being issued to M/s. A.H. Wheeler & Co. for travelling on all the Indian Railways;

(b) if so, whether any amount is being recovered in lieu of the above journey passes issued to them; and

(c) if not, how the loss of crores of rupees per annum of Government revenue so sustained in this regard is being covered up?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) to (c) M/s. A.H. Wheeler & Co. has been provided free passes as a facility to supervise the working of their bookstals on Indian Railways as per the agreement entered with them. Ministry of Railways has, however, reviewed the matter recently and the number of passes has been curtailed from 58 to 30. M/s. A.H. Wheeler & Co., pay to the Railways royalty at the rate of 4% of their sales turnover.

Stoppage of Express Trains at Jajpur-Keonjhar Road

*187. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether Government would consider to provide stoppage of Falakunuma, Coromondal and Rajdhani Express trains at Jajpur-Keonjhar Road which is the only rail linkage to Jajpur, Dhenkanal, Angul, Keonjhar and Sundargarh districts?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): There is no such proposal at present as 20 pairs (16 pairs of Mail/Express and 4 pairs of Passenger) of trains are already stopping at Jajpur-Keonjhar Road, thus adequately meeting the traffic requirement of both short distance and long distance passengers.

Capacity in Mahalaxmi Express

*188. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the inadequate capacity in AC 2 Tier and Ist Class coaches in Mahalaxmi Express between Kolhapur and Mumbai;

(b) whether Government have received any complaint in this regard;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and